

# SC Annual School Report Card Summary

**Carolina Forest High School** 

Horry

Grades: 9-12 Enrollment: 1,979

**Principal: Gaye Driggers** 

Superintendent: Dr. Cynthia Elsberry

**Board Chair: Joe DeFeo** 

### **PERFORMANCE**

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD A	ND SILVER AWARD	ESEA/FEDERAL A	ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM
			General Performance	Closing the Gap	ESEA Grade	Accountability Indicator
2013	Excellent	Excellent	TBD	TBD	С	N/A
2012	Excellent	Excellent	Gold	N/A	С	N/A
2011	Excellent	Good	Gold	Silver	Not Met	N/A

## ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF HIGH SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
29	5	0	0	2

<sup>\*</sup> Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/07/2013. Schools with Students Like Ours are High Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

# HIGH SCHOOL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM(HSAP) EXAM PASSAGE RATE(%): SECOND YEAR STUDENTS

	Our High School		High Schools with Students Like Ours		
	2012	2013	2012	2013	
Passed 2 subtests (%)	82.9%	83.9%	84.0%	85.2%	
Passed 1 subtest (%)	11.0%	10.6%	10.1%	10.0%	
Passed no subtests (%)	6.0%	5.5%	6.6%	5.2%	

#### HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2013

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	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Passage Rate	93.5%	93.1%

ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE					
	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours			
Number of students	515	322			
Number of Diplomas	400	249			
Rate (%)	77.7%	77.8%			

END OF COURSE TESTS - 2013					
% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours			
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	86.1	80.9			
English 1	86.1	76.3			
Biology 1/Applied Biology 2	82.7	80.8			
US History and the Constitution	76.9	65.0			
All Tests	82.6	74.9			

#### **NAEP PERFORMANCE\***

\* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.

READING – GRADE 8 (2011)						
South Carolina	28	45	25 2			
Nation	25	43	29 3			
	% Below Basic	% Basic, Proficient, a	nd Advanced			
■ Below Basic □ Basi	ic Proficient	Advanced				

MATH – GRADE 8 (2011)					
South Carolina		30	38	25	7
Nation		28	39	26	8
	%	Below Basic	% Basic, Proficier	nt, and Advanc	ed
Below Basic	☐ Basic	☐ Proficient	■ Advanced		

SCIENCE - GRADE 8 (2011)						
South Carolina	39	32	27			
Nation	36	32	29 2			
■ Below Basic		% Basic, Proficie  ■ Advanced	ent, and Advanced			

#### **SC PERFORMANCE VISION**

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

# Carolina Forest High School [Horry] **SCHOOL PROFILE**

	Our School	Change from Last Year	High Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
Students (n=1,979)				
Retention rate	4.8%	Up from 3.3%	2.4%	2.9%
Attendance rate	94.9%	Down from 95.2%	95.1%	95.1%
Served by gifted and talented program	31.6%	N/A	21.7%	17.5%
With disabilities	14.5%	N/A	10.9%	11.9%
Older than usual for grade	6.5%	N/A	6.3%	7.9%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	4.5%	Up from 3.9%	1.2%	1.1%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	18.6%	Up from 15.9%	21.0%	15.1%
Successful on AP/IB exams	81.0%	Up from 79.2%	52.9%	51.5%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	26.1%	Down from 34.5%	32.3%	30.6%
Annual dropout rate	4.2%	Down from 5.9%	2.6%	2.3%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Enrollment in career/technology courses	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Career/technology students attaining technical skills	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Teachers (n=103)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	77.7%	Down from 78.0%	67.3%	63.4%
Continuing contract teachers	76.7%	Down from 80.7%	83.9%	78.8%
Teachers returning from previous year	91.7%	Down from 93.7%	88.5%	86.2%
Teacher attendance rate	95.4%	Up from 95.0%	94.6%	95.2%
Average teacher salary*	\$52,924	Up 3.0%	\$50,491	\$48,699
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	2.1%	Down from 4.1%	1.4%	2.5%
Professional development days/teacher	14.3 days	Down from 17.9 days	11.5 days	9.8 days
School				
Principal's years at school	2.0	Up from 1.0	3.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	32.9 to 1	Up from 30.1 to 1	27.8 to 1	26.9 to 1
Prime instructional time	88.8%	No Change	88.4%	89.0%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$7,891	Up 5.2%	\$7,332	\$7,919
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	55.0%	Down from 55.4%	59.0%	57.0%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	60.0%	Up from 58.3%	61.0%	60.0%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	94.9%	Up from 85.3%	96.5%	97.7%
Character development program	Average	Up from Below Average	Good	Good
ESEA composite index score  * Length of contract = 185+ days.	77.4	Up from 76.8	83.5	77.4

#### **EVALUATION RESULTS**

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	43	244	67
Percent satisfied with learning environment	83.8%	77.5%	80.6%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	93%	79.5%	74.6%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	74.4%	81.2%	77.3%

<sup>\*</sup>Only eleventh grade students and their parents were included. For schools without grade eleven, only the highest grade was included

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### REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Our theme for the 2012-13 school year was "Panthers Expect More" and we achieved more! Our school year ended with 402 graduates who received scholarship offers in excess of \$9,000,000. Among the many talented students in the senior class, Carolina Forest High School was privileged to have two national merit semi-finalists, 22 Palmetto Fellows, 105 LIFE scholarship recipients, and 111 HOPE scholarship recipients. During the school year, CFHS was also recognized as a Silver school for closing the achievement gap. Our Advanced Placement tests' passage rate is among the top in the nation. Our performing arts program presented 21 sold-out performances of the Broadway musical Phantom of the Opera. While our string orchestra program continued to grow and improve, the CFHS band participated in many local and state level competitions. In NY City's Big Apple Classic competition, our choral students won top honors for their performance in both areas of classical and show choir. The visual arts program excelled this year, holding the largest art exhibit in the history of the school. Of the 21 varsity sports at Carolina Forest High School, 11 made the state playoffs, with 5 teams winning the Region V AAAA Championship. We would like to thank our students, parents, teachers, and community members for your continued support as we progress toward our goals. Without your assistance, our continued progress would not be possible.

Gaye Driggers, Principal Jennifer Seay, SIC Chairman

<sup>\*\*</sup> Prior year audited financial data available.